IMOSE IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Patent Application of Atty Dkt. 2635-23 C# 2879 HIRAMATSU TC/A.U. Serial No. 10/046,969 Examiner: K. Berck Date: March 30, 2004 Filed: January 17, 2 STRUCTURE OF SPARK PLUG DESIGNED TO PROVIDE HIGH THERMAL Title: RESISTANCE AND DURABILITY Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. □ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: minus highest number Total effective claims after amendment 12 \$ 0.00 previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = \$ 18.00 Independent claims after amendment minus highest number \$ 86.00 0.00 \$ previously paid for (at least 3) =X 3 S 0.00 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper) Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$420.00/2 months; \$950.00/3 months) \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 0.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$770.00) ☐ Please enter the previously unentered Submission attached Subtotal \$ 110.00 -\$ 0.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith \$ 0.00 Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) 0.00 0.00 Other: TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 110.00 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C. Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 By Atty: Michelle N. Lester, Reg. No. 32,331 Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100

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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated December 3, 2003, kindly enter the following amendment and remarks.